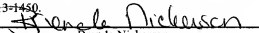


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Patent Application of:	Confirmation No.: 7593
Applicant: Bonnie Hepburn, et al.	Group Art Unit: 1614
Serial No.: 10/783,871	Examiner: Gregg Polansky
Filed: February 20, 2004	<u>Certificate of Electronic Filing</u>
Title: A NOVEL FORMULATION, OMEPRAZOLE ANTACID COMPLEX- IMMEDIATE RELEASE FOR RAPID AND SUSTAINED SUPPRESSION OF GASTRIC ACID	I hereby certify that the attached Amendment and Response to Office Action and all marked attachments are being deposited by Electronic Filing on April 20, 2009 by using the EFS – Web patent filing system and addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22314-1450. By:  Brenda Nickerson

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
DATED OCTOBER 20, 2008

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated October 20, 2008, in the above application. Applicants respectfully requests amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby submit a petition for an extension of time of three months for submitting a response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2008 in the above-referenced application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). A shortened statutory period of three months was set in the Office Action and expired on January 20, 2009. Thus, with a three-month extension, a response to the October 20, 2008 Office Action is timely if filed on or before April 20, 2009. In connection with this petition, please find payment in the amount of \$1110.00 submitted herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). If any additional fee is deemed payable (or overpayment creditable) in respect of this communication, please charge or credit such a fee to Deposit Account No. 23-2415, referencing Docket No. 29635-714.201.

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